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In Re Application of: Hikaru TAKAKURA et al

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a [XX] Amendment in the above-identified application.

- [ ] Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.  
 [ ] A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.  
 [ ] No additional fee is required.  
 [XX] The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(Col. 2) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(Col. 3) PRESENT EXTRA EQUALS
TOTAL	* 10	MINUS	** 20	0
INDEP.	* 3	MINUS	*** 3	0
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				

ADDITIONAL FEE TOTAL

SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
x 9	\$
x 42	\$
+ 135	\$
	\$

OR

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
x 18	\$
x 84	\$
+ 270	\$
	\$

OR

TOTAL

the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

if Paid for IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

if Paid for IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

Paid For (total or independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment of the number

of Time

If no response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

ision of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

## Other Than Small Entity

## Response Filed Within

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|------|--------|--------------|
| [XX] | First  | - \$ 110.00  |
| [ ]  | Second | - \$ 410.00  |
| [ ]  | Third  | - \$ 930.00  |
| [ ]  | Fourth | - \$ 1450.00 |

Month After Time Period Set

paid for \_\_\_\_ month(s) extension of time on \_\_\_\_\_.

Please charge my Deposit Account No. 02-4035 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

[XX] Credit Card Payment Form, PTO-2038, is attached, authorizing payment in the amount of \$110.00.

[ ] A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is attached (check no. ).

[XX] The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of Time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR §1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR §1.18.

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